

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	)	Art Unit: 3725
Hayes et al.	)	
	)	Examiner: Nguyen, Thukhanh
Serial No. 10/618,574	)	T.
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Filed: 07/12/2003	)	March 12, 2009
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For: Method and Apparatus for Forming	)	
Flared Tube Ends	)	
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is response to the office action mailed December 12, 2008. Kindly amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.